Atty Ref. HML-201-A-1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant:

LOWENSTEIN, M

Appeal No.:

97-1187

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Examiner:

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WITHDRAWAL OF REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING; REQUEST FOR REFUND O \$130 ORAL HEARING FEE; AND REQUEST TO EXPEDITE APPEAL

By fax to 703-308-7952 Attn: Craig Fineberg

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In connection with the January 14, 1999 telephone conversation with Craig Fineberg, applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the request for oral hearing in the subject appeal.

Applicant also requests a prompt refund of the \$130 oral hearing fee previously submitted, and also requests expediting this appeal.

Please direct all telephone calls in connection with this application to Irving M. Weiner at (517) 724-7400. Applicant requests an acknowledgment of receipt of this paper be faxed to applicant's attorney at (517) 724-7100.

Date: January 14, 1999

Weiner (Reg. No. 22168)

Respectfully submitted